

## **Parks**

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Known as "Baseball Capital of the World"

## **PARKS**

### **Lawson Park:**

Home of Mattoon Bambino Leagues

Located on the southeast part of Mattoon, just off of Marshall Avenue on S. 13th St., Lawson Park was chosen to host the first ever 2000 Cal Ripken World Series August 19-27th. On July 6th, 1999 at a press conference held at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, the Babe Ruth League president announced the renaming of its youth baseball 12 and under division from the Bambino Division to the Cal Ripken Baseball Division. Lawson Park also had the honor of hosting the first ever 11-12 Year Old Bambino World Series, August 14-21, 1999. This tournament marked the 30th anniversary of Mattoon hosting our first Babe Ruth World Series.

### **Peterson Park:**

Located on the northeast side of Mattoon at 500 Broadway, Peterson Park is just one block north of Route 16. Grimes Field was the home to the 1969 Babe Ruth World Series for 15 year olds. This was followed up with a Tournament of Champions for 16-18 year olds in 1974. Peterson Park is the new home to the Bagelfest, which is held the 3rd weekend in July. Peterson Park is also home to the areas Largest Holiday Lightworks Display which runs from the weekend prior to Thanksgiving until Christmas.

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### **Little Kinzel Park:**

Located in the southwest part of Mattoon at 28th and Marion.

### **Vanlaningham Park:**

Located in the northwest part of Mattoon at the end of north 29th/30th Street.

### **Cunningham Park:**

Located in the north central part of Mattoon at 12th and Champaign.

### **Ball Diamonds**

#### **Grimes Field:**

Located at Peterson Park, 500 Broadway

For advertising signs Please contact 234-3611

#### **Graham Field:**

Located at Lawson Park

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#### **Complex**

Mattoon Junior Baseball League (Boys Complex):

Located at 10th and Richmond

#### **Roundhouse Complex (Girls Complex):**

Located at 6th and Shelby

#### **Kinzel Field:**

Located at 22nd and Marion

T-Ball Field: - New complex opened May 27th, 2006

Located at 3rd & Shelby

09 Registration Form

Tournament Schedule

League Website Links

Mattoon Junior Baseball League

10 and Under 2009 Registration

Cross County Mall (old Walgreens) 10am to 2pm: Feb 28th, March 7th & March 14th

\$35 plus \$15 for additional sibling

Mattoon Girls Softball Association

Girls Softball Calendar

2009 Registration Form

The Commissioners will be conducting clinics for each league. A player **MUST** participate in one of these clinics. Girls may still sign up at the clinics. Players must bring their own gloves and wear proper shoes for running and fielding. If unable to attend you can still be placed on a team in a blind draft.

Players should arrive 15 minutes prior to the scheduled clinic start time.

(Girls who are in Highschool Softball are exempt from Clinic due to IHSA rules)

Age Group 7-8 6 PM to 7:30 PM General Session April 13th, 2009

Age Group 11-12 6 PM to 7:30 PM General Session April 14th, 2009  
Age Group 9-10 6 PM to 7:30 PM General Session April 16th, 2009

Mattoon Pride Softball

Cobrafastpitch

Football Fields  
Mattoon Junior Football Field:  
Located at 6th St. & Shelby Ave.

For more information on Mattoon Football Please [click here](#).

Farmers Market

Please check back info will be posted as available.

Bike/Walking Path  
10th & Richmond  
The path begins at the boys complex and runs all the way to the City of Charleston.

